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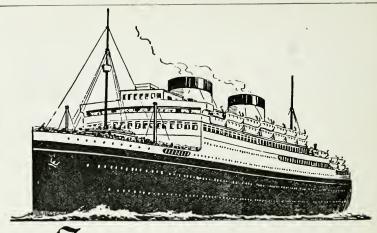


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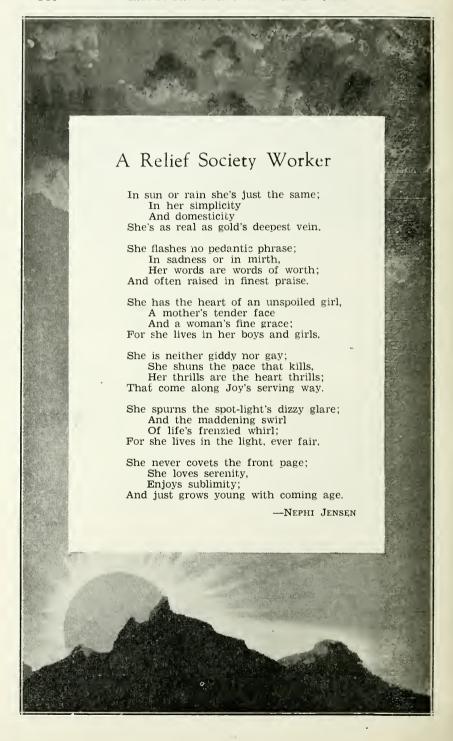
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And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.—Revelation 20: 12

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THIS WEEK'S COVER-

LOUISE Y. ROBISON, seventh General President of the National Woman's Relief Society, is honoured on the MILLENNIAL STAR cover. Sister Robison is loved and admired by members of the Church in Britain, many of whom had the opportunity of meeting her when she visited England a few years ago. Saints and friends wish her continued health and strength that she might continue to lead the organization throughout the world in the same fine manner she has since appointed October 8th, 1928.



Relief Society Ward And Branch Presidents

By Amy Brown Lyman

(Adviser to the Relief Societies of the European Missions).

S we approach the birthday of Relief Society let us offer a special tribute to the ward and branch presidents of the organization—to those of the past who from the beginning and all down through the years have borne the chief burdens in the local units; and to those of today who are so willingly assuming these responsibilities.

The general supervisery work of the Relief Society is centred in general and stake governing boards, but the detail



Amy Brown Lyman 1st Counsellor

work, which is the real work of the organization, is carried on in the wards and branches, which are the vital, pulsating units of the society. It is here that membership is held; that contributions are received for charitable purposes; that co-operative community work is done. Under the direction of the local president the needy are contacted and provided for; the sick are visited; the sad and discouraged are cheered; the sorrowful and mourning are comforted; the dead are lovingly and tenderly clothed for their last rest.

The responsibilities and requirements of the Relief Society president are many and exacting, but she assumes and carries them willingly. Her office makes great demands on her time, energy and ability. She is usually the busiest volunteer worker

in the community. Her work is comparable in many respects to that of the branch president. She is called upon by night and by day for service.

She should be broad in sympathy, tender of heart, charitable. She should possess wisdom and understanding, patience and tolerance, resourcefulness and executive ability. Above all else a president should have faith in God and a testimony of the gospel.

Ward and branch presidents are constantly challenged, but they are meeting the challenge bravely and successfully, as all who are acquainted with their work can testify. They have been important factors not only in charitable work, such as looking after the wants of the needy and sick, but also in constructive preventative community welfare. It would be as difficult to estimate the incalculable good they and their associates have accomplished in civic and community work as it

would be to estimate what they have accomplished in the home and in the family. They have also helped materially in establishing the high standards which the Relief Society as an organization has attained, and which are recognized not only nationally but also internationally.

As one travels throughout the organization both at home and abroad it is interesting to observe the similarity in spirit and procedure to be found in all the local units whether, in America, in Europe and Great Britain, or in the islands of the sea. Ward and branch presidents could be exchanged between countries as college professors are exchanged, and providing there were no language difficulties, they could function effectively and efficiently. For example the president of either the North or South London Branch, or of the Dublin Branch, would be at home presiding over a Salt Lake City ward; or a president from a rural ward in Utah or Arizona could be exchanged with the president of the urban Washington, D.C., Branch, and the work would go on smoothly. The training which the organization gives helps its workers to be resourceful and self-reliant, and it teaches them to think independently.

The spirit of the office and calling seems to come to those who are assigned to do the work, and to give them the necessary insight, poise and understanding and the desire to accomplish.

The history of the society is replete with the records of the deeds of ward and branch presidents and their associates. It would take volumes to enumerate them.

In contemplating the work of the Relief Society president, we are not unmindful of the fact that she herself is greatly blessed in her labours; that while she gives she also receives. Her work may be regarded as a real opportunity personally for growth and development, as is the work of every other officer and member of the Relief Society.

Some women who have assumed the office with great timidity, fear and trembling, with the responsibility gained strength, knowledge, ability and power. They have grown in sympathy, tenderness and understanding—those graces which are so inspiring and endearing. Because of their faith and humility and unselfishness the Lord has also blessed them abundantly. Thus, while a great portion of their energies have been consumed in activities that have helped others, the process has added to their own strength and culture, and their own personalities have been developed and enriched. Their lives and labours have verified the truth proclaimed by the Saviour. In speaking to and instructing His apostles He said: "He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." (Matt. 10: 39)

Let us salute these great women—our one thousand nine hundred and eighteen ward and branch presidents on this 97th anniversary of the organization. Let us extend to them our sincere love and deep appreciation, and may God bless these lovable, intelligent, self-sacrificing, generous ones who are true to their trust and to their convictions. They will be sanctified and richly rewarded for their sacrifice and unwearied effort in doing good.

The General Presidency Sends Greetings

A T the beginning of another Relief Society year, we greet our beloved sisters of Great Britain and congratulate them on their achievements. We also congratulate our general organization because such women have been fit to become a part of it.

Our hearts are saddened at this time because of the fear,

uncertainty and unrest prevailing in the world today, and we offer a special prayer of hope and faith that misunderstanding, selfishness and hate may be removed from the hearts of men and that love and the spirit of the Master may enter therein. We pray that women will not be called upon to give fathers and sons, and that men will not be called upon to make the supreme sacrifice.

In working for peace, harmony and good will, it is said that we should begin by securing these things in our own hearts and homes and lives and in our immediate groups, and after that we may have influence in our communities and nations.



Kate M. Barker 2nd Counsellor

A nation's strength is measured by the strength of its homes. It should be the

ambition of every good woman to assist in making the most of her home and home life, in making her home a home of peace, charity and love.

In all situations and under all conditions Latter-day Saints will find their greatest comfort in living the Gospel, and in trusting in the Lord.

Let us review our lives at this time and see if they conform in every respect to the teachings of the Saviour and to the standards advocated by the Church in this our day. Let us practice charity and unselfishness. Let us call to mind the Master's comment:

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

"But lay up for yourself treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal."

LOUISE Y. ROBISON AMY BROWN LYMAN KATE M. BARKER

Relief Society General Presidency

The Relief Society In Great Britain

By ZINA CARD BROWN

N March 17th, 1842, the Female Relief Society was organized by the Prophet Joseph Smith. With each recurring anniversary of that day we instinctively return in fancy to that gathering of 18 women, and hear our Prophet say, "I now turn the key to you in the name of God, and this Society shall rejoice, and knowledge and intelligence shall flow down from this time."

Since that time thousands of women have passed through that opened portal into a new abundant life. Thousands of humble women have spent their lives in loving and heroic service for the succour of the sick and the sorrowing. And by active participation in this great organization have grown in

This Article

THE accompanying article written by Relief Society President Zina Card Brown of the British Mission gives the reader an accurate and interesting survey of the woman's organization in Britain from its innovation to the present time. Because of the scarcity of preserved data and information regarding the organization in Britain, the author has necessarily done a great deal of research and study to gather the included material. The STAR is happy to present to its readers this carefully-prepared article on the Relief Society in Britain.

wisdom and knowledge, developing a real appreciation and testimony of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Relief Society women have become the Standard Bearers of the Church.

Although the Gospel was brought to England in 1837, the Relief Society was not organized until March, 1874, Of these at Whitechapel. early organizations we have but scant record. In the MILLENNIAL STAR of 1877 we have the first record. At the Conference London April 22nd, 1877, three Fe-male Relief Societies are reported to have been established in that conference. Again at the London Confer-

ence held on May 5th, 1878, it was reported that "Female Relief Societies, comprising only a few in numbers, were doing much good in visiting and helping the sick and the poor." On November 24th, 1878, the Luton Branch organization was reported to be meeting with much success.

After a lapse of thirty years in our records, the Relief Society suddenly comes to life under the able leadership of Sister Romania B. Penrose, a member of the General Board. President Penrose presided over the European Mission from December 1st, 1906, to June, 1910. During that time Sister Penrose travelled from branch to branch giving specific instructions to the women of the Church. In fact she wrote a six-page treatise on Relief Society work for the use of women in Britain.

The Stars of that period contain some of her talks to the members in their conferences. These talks are full of inspiration and uplift. In one she said, "These Societies are not only

for the relief of the poor, but also for the improvement of each one who belongs to them. They are for the education of the sisters, intellectually, spiritually and morally."

By March, 1908, there were twenty-nine branch organizations of the Relief Society—a tribute in itself to her indefatig-

able efforts.

From that time to the present, the wife of the Mission President has presided over the Relief Societies of the European Missions. Space permits but brief mention of the work accomplished under the supervision of these noble women. Succeeding Sister Penrose was Sister Rudger Clawson. This was a trying period in mission history, due to the continuous persecution by the enemies of the Church.

In September, 1913, President Hyrum M. Smith and his wife,

Greetings

TO our dear, faithful supervisers of both the districts and branches we desire to express our appreciation of the splendid work you are doing. We thank you for your loyal support, for your ready co-operation in putting over new projects, for your selfless living in your service to others. May our Father bless you with wisdom and with understanding hearts, that this glorious work may progress in harmony and joy. To each officer and member we send our greetings and our love.

Zina Card Brown
Inez Cameron Russell
Helen E. M. Poole
The Mission Relief Society
Presidency

Ida B. Smith, came to preside over the European Missions. The outstanding work accomplished under Sister Smith's direction during the first half of the World War period is little short of miraculous. The societies functioned as never before. This was plainly manifested their willing efforts to in help the soldiers at the front and the needy families at home. Hundreds of articles of clothing were knitted by the Latter-day Saint women. An example of this is the work done by the members of the Halifax Branch. This one small group knitted fifty pairs of socks for the men at the front. In recognition of this the group was awarded the badge of "Queen Mary Needlework Guild" by the

Mayoress' Red Cross Society of Halifax. Many pounds were raised by various bazaars. Glasgow Branch netted over thirteen pounds and Bradford Branch almost twenty-two from these sales.

One could fill a volume with similar accounts. Not least of the good accomplished was the allaying of prejudice and the making of contacts of people of office and distinction in this patriotic work. Hundreds of pounds sent from Salt Lake City were used for the needy of this country.

When President Hyrum Smith was called home in September, 1916, he was succeeded in office by Elder George F. Richards, also of the Council of the Twelve. Because of the war Sister Richards did not accompany him. During the period from 1916 to July, 1919, the Latter-day Saint women of Britain proved themselves of great worth indeed. From Evans'

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THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1939

EDITORIAL

Our Relief Society And Leaders

HE complete unity of the Relief Society members of the British Mission at the present time speaks well for the auxiliary's future success. Each district Relief Society in the mission is organized with a superviser; each branch unit will have held a conference during the year by the anniversary, March 17th; for the first time in years uniform lessons as outlined in the Relief Society Magazine are being carried out by each group throughout the mission; membership rolls for the past year indicate a general increase; use of the Relief Society Magazine is more extensive than before; and the true spirit of Relief Society work was never better.

Strongly Organized Units

THIS list of trends and achievements, observed by the writer, clearly indicates the movement of the service organization in Britain. Thanks to the general supervision of the mission presidency and the united efforts of members throughout the Isles the above achievements can be announced. It is noteworthy how the groups, oftentimes few in numbers, are strongly organized. Through this unity and the accompanying good many are being attracted to the Relief Society. In this way the members in Britain are doing their part to make the slogan, "Members old, members new, 100,000 by '42," an actuality.

The Aim Of The Relief Society

THE declaration by Joseph Smith, stating the aim of the Relief Society, is being followed diligently. Devotion to such principles makes the auxiliary extremely beneficial to the individuals within and without. The aim, as explained by the Prophet, is: "To manifest benevolence irrespective of creed or nationality; to care for the poor, the sick and unfortunate; to minister where death reigns; to assist in correcting the morals and strengthening the virtue of community life; to raise human life to its highest level; to elevate and enlarge the scope of women's activities and conditions; to foster love for ties and conditions; to foster love for religion, education, culture and refinement; to develop faith; to save souls; to



Helen E. M. Poole 2nd Counsellor





Inez C. Russell 1st Counsellor

study and teach the Gospel." By these objects and aims we realize the founder had in mind a preventive, constructive welfare and educational programme for the society."

Zina Card Brown President

New Plans Outlined

THE current year should see continued advancement in the Relief Society. At the present time plans are being made to hold district conferences. The sessions would be held separately and distinctively from general district conferences in which connection they are now held. Appointments of district and branch members to act as historians are now be-Through this department records and activities can be tabulated and preserved for reference and use in years to come. Another hopeful sign for continued progress in the future is the visiting activity which is becoming better organized and more extensive with each month.

The service organization of the Church is often unheralded, Undoubtedly this is because of the stability of the auxiliary —not a flash in the passing day, but as steady and dependable as only mature women can be. The organization could well be compared with a pine tree. It is firmly rooted and is as ever-ready as the tree is ever-green.

The Mission Leaders.

HE British Mission is fortunate in having three outstanding women standing at the head of the Relief Society organization. President Zina Card Brown, who has been associated with the work for many years and whose influence creates a spirit of charitableness, works unceasingly to further the scope and influence of the auxiliary. Fortifying her and working unitedly with her are Inez Cameron Russell and Helen E. M. Poole, women of experience and sterling characters. such leadership and the prevailing spirit of unity and service throughout the mission, the Relief Society in Britain is due for continued success and advancement.—Marvin J. Ashton

THE RELIEF SOCIETY IN GREAT BRITAIN

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"Century of Mormonism in Great Britain" the following is made known: "With the departure of the travelling missionaries and the great scarcity of British man power, President George F. Richards called upon a faithful and able corps of 375 British women to pursue the work. They conducted most of the missionary activities and rendered their reports to Mission headquarters, with the result that the years 1916 to 1919 saw virtually a doubling of the tithes and very little decrease in baptisms."

During the entire period of the war there was no cessation of regular Relief Society meetings. There was an increase of

The Relief Society Board

THE PRESIDENCY

Zina Card Brown, President Inez C. Russell, First Counsellor Helen E. M. Poole, Second Counsellor Mrs. Wilford Mann, Secretary

DEPARTMENTAL HEADS

Maude Hawkes, Theology Marjory McCormick, Historian Marie Anastasiou, Relief Society Magazine

LADY MISSIONARY MEMBERS

Lady missionaries actively engaged in their respective districts are: Dorothy Herron and Ellen Rose, Liverpool District; Doris Pratt and Anna Saunders, Birmingham District; Louise Matheson and Rose Mugleston, Leeds District; Marjory Smith and Dora Call, Nottingham District; Aloa Dixon and Marianne Wiscomb, Manchester District; and Harriet Eyre, Hull District.

membership and new organization was also effected.

President Richards was followed by Elder George Albert Smith. of the Council of Twelve, who came to England with wife and family in July, 1919. His wife, Lucy Smith, presided over woman's organization for two years. was followed by Sister Mary Wells Whitney, wife of Apostle Orson F. Whitney. Sister Whitney visited all fourteen districts once and some she visited a number of times along with the separate branch

units. She reported to the General Board in Salt Lake City that, "The women all through the British Mission are working to the best of their ability to better themselves and gain a knowledge of the Gospel through the lesson work and testimony meetings."

Succeeding her was Sister Emma Ray McKay, wife of President David O. McKay. She laboured unceasingly for the alleviation of the distress of the saints in the British Isles. Great shipments of clothing and shoes were sent from America besides hundreds of pounds in cash. She established the regular lesson work as outlined in the Relief Society Magazine, in most of the Relief Societies. "I love the British people," she said, "and their genuineness, their honesty and their quiet refinement."

In 1924 Elder James E. Talmage was appointed to preside

over the European Missions. His wife, May Booth Talmage, outstanding for her life and labours in the Church, became the successor of Sister McKay. During her presidency the Relief Society Magazine was used one night a month as a source of select reading material. She left the imprint of her beautiful personality upon the sisters of the entire mission.

Sister Talmage was succeeded by Leah D. Widtsoe. Her service to her sisters of Great Britain and the other European Missions is still bearing fruit. Her Health Manual and valuable recipes are still cherished by the members here. The simple and practical application of the truths contained in the revelation known to us as the Word of Wisdom, made a lasting impression on the saints of this goodly land. Her valuable counsel is still quoted all over the mission.

Sister Emily Merrill, with her kindly ways and appreciation beautiful, spent the years from October, 1933, to September, 1936, here in Europe. Her quiet, motherly sweetness won her the full support of the sisters. She loved London and was loathe to leave her associations here.

Next, and perhaps last of the European presidents to have charge here in Great Britain, was Sister Amy Brown Lyman, first counsellor to Louise Y. Robison, General President of Relief Societies. Not alone for her superb working knowledge of this great organization was she loved, but also because she was one with the members here, and she had such a matchless understanding of people. Local members still remark, "There was never another just like her." She prepared a Roll and Record book for our especial needs; also a new European handbook.

Sister Lyman was a delegate to two International Councils of Women during her sojourn here. The first was held in Dubrevinik, Jugoslavia; the second in Edinburgh, Scotland, July, 1938. She returned to Salt Lake City last fall, sailing from Southampton, August 13th, 1938, with her husband, President Richard R. Lyman.

Sister Josephine Lund, wife of President A. William Lund, was the first president of the British Mission Relief Societies, as distinguished from the European president. Her term of office was from December, 1928, to January, 1932. During her presidency there was more uniformity of lesson work than at any previous period. Her unique contribution to the work was her compilation of a brief history of the Relief Societies in Great Britain. She made great effort to have each Branch Relief Society write its respective history. Nineteen branches responded and this data is recorded in a special volume.

While Sister Lund was the first British Mission president, she had no Board. The first Relief Society Board was organized under President Douglas' supervision. Hence we look upon December 20th, 1932, as an epoch-making date—the date of the Board's organization. President Rintha P. Douglas chose as her first counsellor Sister Grace T. Pugh and Sister Inez C. Russell as second. After Sister Pugh returned to America, Sister Russell became first counsellor and Sister Helen E. M. Poole was chosen to succeed Sister Russell. Sister Cath-

erine L. Horner was set apart as secretary.

These leaders laboured faithfully and intelligently for the betterment of Mission organization. Special instructions were sent out to the supervisers, and the work was outlined by the Board to meet the needs of the members here. Later on, other women, including Sister Maud Hawkes, were added to the Board. This Board was strengthened greatly from time to time by the presence of the European Mission Board, with whom they worked in perfect harmony, and from whom help was received.

Then came Sister Ramona W. Cannon, wife of President Joseph J. Cannon, with her rich contribution to the women of Great Britain. With a background of education and culture combined with her faith and spirituality, she came well equipped for the work that awaited her. She served untiringly from December, 1934, until August, 1937, winning the love and respect of all the women who contacted her. Her work for the British Centennial will stand as a lasting monument to her name. A glimpse of her beautiful mind and heart is given us in one of her contributions to the MILLENNIAL STAR in 1935. Unfortunately space will not permit quoting her entire article, but here is the inspiring last paragaph. "You—the greater, finer, more highly developed you—are needed in your home and in your community. Your country needs you—the world needs you. Sisters, Arise and Shine!"

The great event of Relief Society history in Britain was the visit of our beloved President Louise Y. Robison—the first and only General President to visit the members in Great Britain. She arrived June 13th, 1934, en route to France to attend, as a delegate from America, the quinquennial meeting of the International Council of Women. Her stay in England, though brief, was long enough to leave the benediction of her presence with all who were privileged to meet her

with all who were privileged to meet her.

Since Sister Cannon's departure, Zina C. Brown has been acting in the capacity of British Mission Relief Society president. We have caught the Torch and seek to hold it high. We have made no records, but we are striving toward a goal. Some of our projects are: Our quota, or more, of new members by 1942; Relief Society Magazines in every branch organization; and a complete history, or as nearly so as possible, of the British Mission Relief Society.

MANCHESTER DISTRICT CONFERENCE SCHEDULED

MANCHESTER District Conference will be held in Rochdale on Sunday, March 12th, with President Hugh B. Brown and other mission authorities in attendance. The 10.30 a.m. meeting will be held in the Rochdale Branch Chapel on Lower Sheriff Street. Other meetings will be held at 2.30 and 6.00 p.m. in the Rochdale Town Hall.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

SCOTTISH District Conference, originally scheduled for May 14th, will be held on May 21st, and Newcastle District Conference scheduled for May 21st, will be held May 14th.

"See You At Sheffield"

ITH the General Mission conference less than three months away, plans for the important occasion are rapidly taking shape. Present indications point that this year should be the banner year in the history of British conventions. Reports from the M.I.A. executives and mission authorities have it that this year's three-day gathering at Sheffield, May 27th, 28th and 29th, will be filled with more activities than ever before. Something will be going on all the time. Saturday and Monday will find friends and members renewing acquaintances as they enjoy plays, athletic competitions, group displays, Primary skits and exhibits, the Millennial Chorus and many other items of interest to everyone. Sunday will find all in attendance uniting in worship.



Russell "M" Men Trophy

Already complete rangements have been made with W. the Woolworth Company of Sheffield to cater to the conference visitors. large restaurant will opened specially during tne holidays and the usual wide selection of food will be available at regular prices.

One of the General Authorities of the Church is expected to be in attendance throughout three-day celebration add his influence to the highlight dates on British Mission calendar. At this time the newly completed Sheffield Branch Chapel and Recreational Hall, which will be the scene of many meetings and displays, will be dedicated.

A beautiful new Dr. Ray Y. M. M. I. A. M. Russell Trophy has already been selected by the donor and will be given to the district scoring highest in

track and field meet scheduled to take place during the mission This year's trophy is the very finest and the district winning the valuable award will receive a prized possession. Last year Leeds District won the Russell Trophy for the third time, thereby becoming permanent possessors of the same. It is reported that many districts have their eyes on the new trophy and have hopes of being possessors of it the first year. The first district to win the trophy three times will become permanent owners of it.

Watch the STAR for future conference announcements and details. In the meantime make plans to attend the best convention yet. Remember, you can't afford to miss this year's gathering in the steel-making city. Your friends will be there. It's an excellent time to renew old acquaintances and make new ones.

"See You At Sheffield."-M. J. A.

Of Current Interest

SOVIET RUSSIA recently conducted a census of its vast territory, with 400,000 workers assigned to the task. To give some idea of the territory covered, transportation means used by the census-takers varied from camels in the desert districts to reindeer and dog teams in the far north.

LIGHTNING will no longer disrupt an electricity system if a new switch that has been developed is



put into universal use. This switch, with the aid of springs, opens to let the excess "juice" drain off, and closes again, all within threetenths of a second. This is time enough only to cause lights to

blink slightly, and no electric motor is effected. Practical tests on power lines of varying length have proved the efficiency of the switches.

DEMOCRACY has a fundamental value in human lives, it was recently shown by a test among various groups of boys. The test results are labelled "inconclusive but significant," the subjects being young boys of 10 or 11 years instead of more mature persons. The boys were divided into three groups, democratic, dictator and anarchist, and "regimes" set up under the leadership of a graduate student. In the dictator group the leader, though always friendly, assigned partners, directed the work, and told the boys just what to do and how to do it. The anarchist leader gave no encouragement or directions, merely giving technical advice when asked. In the democratic group the boys decided all problems, with the leader in an administrative position. The results showed that the dictator group worked fairly well with the leader in the room, although there was some evidence of friction. When he left most of them quit work. The democratic group worked well with the leader, and almost as well without. The anarchist group worked in spots, but stopped frequently to play. The same trends were shown when the leaders and the form of government were changed among the groups.

MACHINES that talk are nothing new when it is just a repetition from a wax disc, but there will be machines on exhibit at both the New York and the San Francisco World Fairs which talk by actually making the sounds themselveswhen the proper buttons are pressed. The debut of the machines was made before a group of scientists recently. An operator pressed keys for sounds, and pedals for pitch and intensity. The machine not only spoke sentences, but laughed. cried, screamed and imitated animals. Strangely enough the machine had the same talking difficulties experienced by a baby-its "r" sounded like a "w" and it could not manage a liquid "l." Also it takes operators about the same length of time to learn to "talk" on the machine as it does for a baby to learn to speak. All of the demonstrators at the debut had practised well over a year.

SILENCE during early-morning milk deliveries is the aim of London's largest dairy combine, who have shod 500



have shod 500 horses with rubber shoes and equipped 500 milk carts with rubber tyres are not a new idea, there are about 4,000 London milk carts rolling on those,

but the rubber shoes on the horses is something that had not been tried before at least on any large scale. Although at first the horses were a bit muddled at not hearing their feet when they moved, they quickly adjusted themselves to the new footwear. If this experiment proves satisfactory, it is expected that milk deliveries in all England's cities will be effectively silenced.

From the Mission Field

Departing Missionaries-





Elder Buxton Zina Lou Brown

Elder William Burt Buxton, who has laboured in Irish and Manchester Districts, was honourably released on Monday. March 6th, and will return to his home in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Zina Lou Brown, daughter of President and Sister Hugh B. Brown, was honourably released from the mission field on Saturday, March 4th, and will return to Salt Lake City, Utah. She has served as Mission Y.W.M.I.A. executive secretary and has assisted in the women's auxiliary organizations.

Doings in the Districts-

Hull—On Friday, February 17th, the annual Gold and Green Ball of Hull Branch was held in the branch recreation hall with approximately 50 members and friends in attendance. Special musical numbers during the evening were a vocal solo by Sister Ada Simpson, and selections by the Gleaner Chorus, led by Fider Mac C. Matheson.

Elder Mac C. Matheson.

Tribute to the integrity of the Mormon Pioneers was given by the chairman of the Toc H group following a lantern lecture delivered by Supervising Elder William G. Woffinden and Elder Mac C. Matheson, on Tuesday, February 14th. Through the arrangements of this Toc H group the same lecture was given at the Newland Social Club one week later.

President Hugh B. Brown addressed a large audience of members and friends at a special meeting held in Hull Branch on Sunday, February 19th.

LEEDS—A baptismal service was held in Bradford Branch Chapel on Sunday, February 19th. Gladys Dyson Rabett Flynn was baptized by Elder Jesse A. Moench and confirmed by Supervising Elder Henry M. Taggart; Frank William Hopwood was baptized by Brother Fred Laycock and confirmed by Elder Taggart.

Bradford Branch Gleaner Chorus extended their field of contacts with a concert at the Idle Thorpe Methodist Church on Wednesday, February 22nd. Several numbers were given by the group before an audience of approximately 150 people, who were highly appreciative of the songs. A complimentary speech of thanks was given by the minister at the conclusion of the programme. Sisters Louise Matheson and Rose Mugleston, lady missionaries, were leader and accompanist, respectively.

Primary conference was held in Bradford Branch Chapel on Sunday, February 26th. Supervised by Sisters Matheson and Mugleston, the group of children presented their programme to an audience of more than 100 members and friends,

LIVERPOOL—Preston Branch M.I.A, held its Gold and Green Ball on Thursday, February 23rd. Sister Irene Winn was crowned queen by Sister Dorothy Herron, lady missionary, and Sister Monica Healey was lady-in-waiting. Sister Gertrude Corless and Brother Clifford Hartley were masters of ceremonies, and music was provided by Brother Harry Gregson's accordian orchestra.

On Saturday, February 18th, the Gold and Green Ball of Liverpool Branch was held in the Co-operative Hall, with approximately 80 people in attendance. A cabaret was given, the numbers including tap dancing, comedy, and piano accordian selections by the members of Madame Vera's School. The ballroom dancing, to the music of the Optimists' Band, had variety added

to it with spot and elimination dances. Queen of the ball was Sister Mabel Willis, and her attendant was Sister Marjorie Patey. Brother Redge Pitkin was master of ceremonies.

London-Two one-act plays were presented by North London Branch M.I.A. on Tuesday, February 21st, in the Branch Chapel. Both plays were produced and directed by Brother James P. Hill. The cast of the first included Sisters Louise Lawman, Arise de Luca, Eva Harris and Gladys Sparkes; Brothers Derrick Hawkes, Stephen Hawkes and Ernest Hawkes, and Mr. Harry Moore. Those participating in the Second were Brothers James P. Hill and Ralph Mount, Miss Phyllis Lewis and Miss Rosina Newbury. Brother Arthur B. Willmott was stage manager and electrician for the productions. Musical numbers on the programme were given by District President Andre K. Anastasiou, who sang two solos, and Mr. Tom Billings, who gave a medley arrangement on his piano accordian.

Manchesier—During the month of February a Primary conference has been held in Hyde, Oldham, Rochdale and Manchester Branches on the separate Sundays. At each the children presented a programme of songs, verses and stories, and tributes were paid to the Pri-

mary workers and Priesthood representatives who are working in the organization. Present at each meeting were Primary Superviser Sally Alsop, Elder Lee L. Frodsham, and Sisters Aloa Dixon and Marianne Wiscombe, lady missionaries.

On Saturday, February 18th, a social was sponsored by Hyde Branch Relief Society. The programme consisted of songs, piano solos, monologues and dancing. A feature of the evening was a fish and chip shop with the officers of the Relief Society in charge.

Nottingham—A Primary conference was held in Leicester Branch on Sunday, February 19th, with Sister Eveline Gent conducting. A programme of songs and talks was given by the members of the Primary to the audience of more than 50, and addresses were also given by Elders Byron A. Howard and Louis C. Larson.

A social for the purpose of honouring with prizes the deserving Sunday School pupils was held in Hucknall Branch on Saturday, February 18th. A pantomime was presented, directed by Sister Grace Buckley, and with Sister Madge Wardle in the leading part. Brothers Thomas and Edward A. Wright directed the games. Twentyfour pupils were given prizes by Supervising Elder Orlando S. McBride to climax the evening.

NORWICH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

NORWICH District Conference was held in Norwich Branch Chapel on Sunday, March £th, with 165 members and friends in attendance. Speakers at the evening session were President Hugh B. Brown, Supervising Elder Francis A. Patterson, District President Frank M. Coleby and Elders William G. and Walter D. Woffinden. Musical numbers were provided by the Millennial Chorus. President Coleby was in charge of the service.

Speakers at the afternoon session conducted by Brother John F. Cook were Brother Cook,

Branch President Alfred Woodhouse. Sister Agnes P. Wallace, superviser of the Y.W.M.I.A., and Elders Don C. Call, Lyle M. Ward, Milton D. Garfield, Burton S. Miller and Lowell M. Durham.

President Woodhouse conducted the morning meeting at which the tollowing spoke: President Brown, Elders Richard P. Smoot, Walter Miller, Scott R. Clawson, G. Venoy Gay and William G. Woffinden and Brother Hugh Cannon.

Musical selections were given at both the morning and afternoon meetings by the Millennial Chorus.

LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

(All meetings begin at 6.30 Sunday evenings unless otherwise indicated.)

Merthyr Tydfil: L. D. S. Chapel, Aberdeen: Gateshead: Corn Exchange, Westfield Hall, Penyard Road. Hadden Street, Westfield Terrace. Off Market Street. Glasgow: L. D. S. Hall, Middlesbrough: L. D. S. Hall. Accrington *L. D. S. Hall, Oyer 9, Church St. 4. Nelson Street. 21, Bottomly Street, Gravesend: Off Linthorpe Road. Airdrie: Freeborn Hall, Nelson: L. D. S. Hall, Peacock Street. *L. D. S. Hall, 10, Hibson Road. 40, Hallcraig Street. Great Yarmouth: L. D. S. Hall, Barnsley: Arcade Buildings. Northampton: 33a, Regent Street. L. D. S. Chapel, 89, St. Michael's Road. Grimsby: Thrift Hall, Batley.*L. D. S. Hall, Purwell Lane. Nottingham: Pasture Street. L. D. S. Hall, Halifax: Beljast: 8, Southwell Road. *L. D. S. Hall. 35, Brinton Terrace, Off Hansen Lane. +Arcade Buildings, Norwich: 122, Upper North St. L. D. S. Chapel, 60, Park Lane. Birmingham: L. D. S. Chapel, Hucknall. Nuneaton: 23. Booth Street. *Byron Buildings. Masonic Hall. Handsworth. Hull: Oldham:Council Schools, Stratford Road, L. D. S. Chapel, Wellington Lane, and L.D.S. Hall, Neville Street. Sparkbrook. Berkeley Street. Plymouth: L.D.S. Hall, Blackburn. Hyde L. D. S. Hall. L. D. S. Hall, 34, Park Street, Saving Bank Chambers, Reynolds Street. Tavistock Road. Lord Street, West. Kidderminste**r** : **P**ontllanf**ra**ith: L. D. S. Chapel, Park Street. Enguire: Corporation 81, Brynteg Street. Chambers. Leeds: Preston, Lancs: L. D. S. Hall, *L. D. S. Hall, Bradford: L. D. S. Chapel, 5. Westfield Road. 44, Avenham St. Woodlands Street. Leicester: Off Fishergate. All Saints' Open, Off City Road. Rawmarsh Great Central Street. Brighton: L. D. S. Hall. Letchworth; 105, Queen's Road. Main Street. Vasanta Hall, Gernon Walk. Bristol: Rochdale: L. D. S. Chapel, Lower Shcriff St. L. D. S. Hall, Zion Rd., Liverpool: off Clarence Road. L. D. S. Chapel. Burnley: Sheffield: 301, Edge Lane. L. D. S. Chapel, L. D. S. Chapol, Corner of Ellesmere 1, Liverpool Road, London: L. D. S. Chapel, 59, Clissold Rd., N.16. Ravenslea Chapel, Rosegrove. and Lyons Roads. Carlisle: Shildon: L.D.S. Hall, *L.D.S. Hall, Scotch Street. 149, Nightingale Lane S.W.12. 100, Main Street. Cheltenham-Stroud: Skelton: Theosophical Hall, St. Margaret's Ter., Off North Place, Downham Fellowship Liberal Association Club, between 29 & 30, Arcus Rd., off Glenbow Hall, 13a, Queen's Street, Redcar-on-Sea Rd., Catford. Ivy Hall, Cheltenham. South Shields: L. D. S. Chapel, Clayton: Wellesley Road, *Central Hall. 98, Fowler Street. Gunnersbury, W.4. Albans: Derby: Loughborough. Unity Hall. 49, Spencer Street. Adult School. Doncaster: *L. D. S. Hall, Sunderland: Lowestoft: L. D. S. Hall, 20, Clapham Road. L. D. S. Chapel, 18, Tunstall Road. Trafford Street. Tipton, Wolverhampton: L. D. S. Hall, Dublin: Luton: tL. D. S. Hall, Dallow Road Hall. Corner of Dallow and Naseby Roads. 8. Merrion Row. Washington Building Eastwood: Berry Street. Varteg: Library, Church St. Mansfield: Memorial Hall. Edinburgh: 39a, Albert Street. Manchester: West Hartlepool: L. D. S. Chapel, Ruskin House 15, Windsor Street. L. D. S. Hall, 7, Osborne Road. Gainsborough:

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